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BEFORE THE FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION WASHINGTON, DC 20554

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SUPPLIES OF THE SECRETARY

In the Matter of)	
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Petitions for Emergency Relief)	CC Docket No. 95-155
Regarding Release of the 855 Toll Free Coo	de)	File No. NSD-L-00-249

JOINT REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

In a Public Notice on the above-captioned matter, the Commission seeks the views of all interested parties on the issues raised in emergency petitions for relief filed by The Toll Free Number Coalition ("TFNC") and the Toll Free Commerce Coalition ("TTFCC") (collectively, "Petitioners"). The deadlines which the Commission has set for Comments and Reply Comments in this matter are, respectively, December 13, 2000 and December 20, 2000. For the reasons set forth below, pursuant to Section 1.46 of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. § 1.46, TFNC and TFCCC jointly request a two-week extension of time for the filing of reply comments in this matter, to January 3, 2001.

TFNC and TTFCC respectfully submit that a brief extension of time is warranted in this matter to enable the parties to review, analyze and respond to fully the initial set of comments to be filed on December 13. Because of the technical nature of the issues raised in the emergency petitions, it is likely that the initial comments will be equally technical and require the detailed review of qualified IT personnel and consultants. This process is necessarily time-consuming. TFNC and TTFCC also anticipate that the Commission's Public Notice will dicit No. of Copies rec'd

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responses from a broad array of large and small Responsible Organizations, carriers, and toll-free number users. The one week period which the Public Notice allows for the preparation and submission of reply comments does not afford commenters, particularly smaller RespOrgs and toll-free service users whose resources are limited and whose emergency petitions are the basis for this proceeding, to respond thoroughly and accurately. Indeed, given the fact that the Commission's Public Notice does not require comments to serve TNFC or TTFCC, or to submit their comments electronically, filed comments may not be available for review by potential review commenters until the week after the December 13 deadline.¹

The brief extension of time requested herein will also not adversely affect any parties. As TFNC and TTFCC have indicated in their emergency petitions, according to DSMI's own records several million spare toll-free numbers remain in the SMS/800 database, with an average growth per week for numbers in use of only 64,000. Based on these figures, by DSMI's own estimate, toll free number exhaustion will not occur until 2003.

Pursuant to Section 1.4(h) of the Commission's rules, if a document is required to be served upon other parties by statute or Commission regulation and the document is in fact served by mail,

WHEREFORE, the Toll Free Number Coalition and the Toll Free Commerce Coalition respectfully request to the Commission to extend the deadline for filing Reply Comments in this matter to January 3, 2001.

Respectfully submitted,

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and the filing period for a response is 10 days or less, an additional 3 days (excluding holidays) will be allowed to all parties in the proceeding for filing a response.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, Eric Fishman, hereby certify that on December 12, 2000, copies of the attached Joint Request for Extension of Time were hand-delivered to the following persons at the addresses below unless otherwise indicated.

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